

BIRTHDAY PARTY.—On Monday, the 14th inst., we had the pleasure of attending the birthday party given by master Frankie Lee at the residence of his parents on Meadow Valley street. Master Frank had about forty of his little acquaintances gathered at the house to participate with him in the festivities gotten up for the occasion. When we arrived the children were all enjoying themselves in playing games and were getting well acquainted with each other, so that the first novelty of the occasion was wearing away, enabling them to be very sociable. Leaving them to their enjoyment we paid a visit to the room in which the table was arrayed for their collation, finding it tastefully arranged with flowers, both wild and cultivated, and loaded down with fruits and sweetmeats, evidently the work of his mother and Mrs. Bishop. We left before the children sailed in on their feast but we could imagine the scene when the loaded tables were brought to the view of the youngsters. About 9 o'clock in the evening we were agreeably surprised by master Frankie walking into our office, accompanied by his good papa and a monstrous big cake all covered with sugar (the cake was covered with sugar, not papa), which he presented to us, along with a very beautiful nosegay, the handsomest we have seen in Pioche this season. Parties given to children are a source of happiness to them and the remembrance of them in future years always makes the thought of home very bright indeed. We wish our little friend many happy returns of his birthday and good health to enjoy them as he did the one just past.

PARTY AT SAN JOSE HOUSE.—Under the superintendence of John Shier, a social party took place at the San Jose House on Tuesday evening last. By half-past eight o'clock the house was crowded with about sixty persons, representing a majority of our citizens who indulge in dancing and like innocent amusement. The dancing commenced at about nine o'clock, and by half-past nine the room was full; in fact, the only drawback to the pleasure of those present was the very large number who could not find room in the numerous dancing sets. To attempt to describe the ladies' costumes in detail would be an impossible task; suffice it to say that as usual the dresses were splendid and set off by the charms of the fair wearers. We doubt if any metropolitan party could do the many costumes usually worn by the ladies of Pioche on such occasions. Dancing was kept up until about half-past two o'clock Wednesday morning, when the guests retired well pleased with their evening's entertainment.

RAYMOND & ELY.—Considerable good ore is being extracted from the upper levels and developments on the 1200-foot level are looking better as work progresses. The strata lying along the hanging wall shows a ledge of four feet in thickness, but where the ledge is run through by cross-cuts the ledge matter is much wider. Much of this vein is of the finest character of quartz containing gold. The ore that is richest in silver is richest in gold. One assay showed as high as \$37 in gold, while others went \$30, \$12 and \$10 in gold. Captain Day, the Superintendent, thinks this a splendid prospect, and has no doubt of its improving rapidly, as it has done heretofore as the work progressed. The last assay made yesterday went \$267.03 in silver and \$72.73 in gold.

BULLIONVILLE FURNACE.—The Bullionville furnace has been leased by Osborne & Co. for the purpose of working the concentrations at the Dry Valley Mill. McCormick, a banker at Salt Lake City, has telegraphed word that he has sent a man from that place to do the smelting, one that understands the business thoroughly, so that the furnace will soon be to work and will be of immense benefit both to Bullionville and this place. The process of shipping the concentrations to Utah was entirely too slow to make it a paying business.

CHANGE IN STOCK BOARD.—The following dispatch came to the State Bank of Nevada on Tuesday last: "Commencing this p. m. the San Francisco Stock Board will be presided over by the Callier and quotations telegraphed as follows: Regular sessions from 11 to 13 a. m. and from 2 to 3 p. m. The Board room will be closed at all other hours. Doubtful if any street quotations will be sent at present."

ALPS MINE.—The usual amount of ore is being extracted from this mine; the prospect in the winze on the 204-foot level is very encouraging. The Condor mill continues running night and day on Alps and custom ore. The Alps mill will start up as soon as sufficient water can be obtained to run it regular. The prospect of getting this water appears very good at present.

SALT FROM EGAN CANYON.—A number of teams arrived in Pioche on Wednesday last from John O'Dougherty's salt works at Egan Canyon with salt for the Raymond & Ely mill at Bullionville. We are informed 100 tons is to be delivered in three months.

PRESENT YOUR DUE BILLS.—We are informed by J. B. Duff, Superintendent of the Meadow Valley mine, that he is ready to pay all due bills issued by that company on their presentation at the office of the company.

CALICO PARTY.—The members of the Young Men's Social Club will give a calico party on the evening of the 25th inst. at Brown's Hall.

SNAKE.—Parties who went to Bullionville on the cars Thursday report seeing a large snake, about forty feet long, in Condor Canyon, while en route to that place. One individual, a Mormon Bishop by the name of Dow, and who probably had a little too much Bullionville lightning aboard, says he didn't see the snake going down, but on the return trip he did, and that it was about 200 feet long and as big around the belly as one of old Cherry's sows. Constable Finnagin, accompanied by a posse of citizens, started to the canyon Friday morning with a view of attempting the destruction of this reptile. There has several head of stock very mysteriously disappeared in that locality and it thought this monster has made way with them. Sam Stoddard, the dashing engineer of the Central Nevada Railroad, has on several occasions mentioned seeing the "largest snake in Nevada down by the canyon," but the boys would insinuate that Sam had been imbibing rather too freely and that they couldn't swallow such a snake story as that. Colonel Allen was also on the train at the time the snake was seen, and says he saw it, too, and that if it was an inch in length it was all of forty feet. Up to a late hour last evening no news had yet been received from Constable Finnagin's party.

PETTY LARCENY.—Complaints are being made daily of the disappearance of articles of household furniture which, although not very rare or very valuable, are still of great use to the parties from whom they are taken and puts them some times to serious inconvenience by the loss. The latest case of larceny of which we heard was that of a wash tub. Now a wash tub is not easily replaced in Pioche, and when it is it costs about five dollars. Many things are also being taken from unoccupied houses; such as doors, window sashes, etc. It is time that this petty larceny business was stopped and the officers would do well to weed out some of the thieves.

RAYMOND & ELY STOCK.—Some little excitement was created on last Thursday in Pioche by the rise in Raymond & Ely stock from \$2.75 to \$5. Every one had just been on the point of buying previous to the rise, if they could only have raised the "soap" necessary to purchase the quantity desired, but unfortunately they could not do so, and thus lost a fortune that was within their grasp. Some few lucky ones had, however, purchased before the rise and were consequently very jubilant that day.

SETTLE.—Some Mormon teamsters came in from Silver Reef on Wednesday last and were preparing to tear down a house and remove it to that place, as they had instruction so to do by the proprietor of the same. But the said proprietor had forgotten to settle a small amount of taxes that was due on the property to the State and county, and the teamsters were stopped in their work of removal until the same was paid. Taxes must be paid; that is the only arrangement that can be made with the District Attorney.

FLORAL SPRINGS WATER.—Three times within a month have we had fires in town which would have been not only disastrous, but probably have wiped the town if there had not been a large supply of water on hand ready for use. The citizens may thank the Water Company for this and that the company always are prepared for such emergencies by having on hand such a supply. The tax on the general consumption seems to be heavy, but when the protection afforded in case of fire is taken into consideration it is quite light indeed.

CHANGE AT THE POSTOFFICE.—We don't mean by the above heading that there is any change in the Postmaster or that any one has taken his position. He remains about the same and there is no danger of his being superseded, but what we intended to state was that Charley had made an alteration in regard to the boxes, moving them forward so as to leave more room behind them, which will be a great benefit to him as he has hitherto been cramped for room.

FIRE.—On Saturday afternoon last S. Carmen's blacksmith shop caught fire from the stove-pipe and was just commencing to start into a good blaze when discovered. A few pails of water thrown over it by Sheriff McKee and Carmen quenched the flames just as the hose companies arrived.

EUREKA SENTINEL.—The proprietors of the Eureka Sentinel have appointed Wiederhold & Goodman as their agents for the Sentinel in Pioche. Any one desiring the above named paper, or wishing to subscribe for the same, can call on the agents here.

VULCAN BLASTING POWDER.—Frank Wheeler has been appointed the Pioche agent for the Vulcan Blasting Powder. This powder it is said will be used exclusively in the Russian and Turkish war for undermining, etc.

RESPONSIBILITY OF ASSESSORS.—Under the new law County Assessors and their sureties are made liable for all pole-taxes not collected by them nor entered upon the statement and assessment roll.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Utah flour and grain has raised in price ten dollars per ton in Pioche during the past week, owing to the demand for it East to supply the European market.

POCICHE BULLION.—Bullion shipped by Wells, Fargo & Co. during the past week, being the product of ore from this district amounted to \$10,517.78.

Those wishing first-rate Claret at a moderate price should try T. C. Ponjade's, Meadow Valley street.

A COCK FIGHT.—Two belligerent fowls, whose fighting propensities got the better of their judgment, instituted a pitched battle in front of Nesbitt's store on Monday last. A dog fight is a very common occurrence now days but a cock fight is something new, and in consequence the idlers were on hand in full force enjoying the sensation. The contending parties were a red rooster and one with an inclination to yellow or dirt color. They went at each other as if the fate of their flocks depended on the result of the contest. The red was a little over-matched in the start and it looked as if he would be obliged to succumb to the "yaller;" but being pretty game he stuck to his opponent with the tenacity that was discouraging to the other biper. The fight was prolonged for about ten minutes when the "yaller," showing the white feather, was chased through and amongst the crowd, the red enjoying the applause of the audience. The red's colors being in the ascendancy he was cheered lustily, and the local hopes that he may have another fight soon when locals are scarce.

MOUSE IN A BIRD CAGE.—On entering the Postoffice the other day Charley Meyers noticed that one of his canary birds was flying around the cage and seemed to be in great distress. He approached the cage and on looking in discovered a little mouse nibbling away at the bread. He removed the intruder, after which birdy seemed to breathe easier. The mouse had been prospecting for food around that neighborhood, and smelling plenty of it in the cage went for it regardless of consequences.

CLARET AT T. C. PONJADE'S, Meadow Valley street.

CONFESSION OF JOHN D. LEE.—Mr. W. Bishop having completed the copying of the confession of John D. Lee, so as the manuscript would be suitable for the printers, forwarded the same on Thursday last by express to Messrs. Bryan, Brand & Co., 608 North Fourth street, St. Louis, the parties who have the contract for publishing the same. There was about 627 pages of manuscript, which, with illustrations, will make 500 pages of a book. The work will be issued in about six weeks.

APPOINTED AGENT.—Peter Harrison being about to wind up his business in Pioche and to leave for Silver Reef, Utah, has appointed Jos. V. Keeley as his agent for the winding up and settlement of his remaining business. Those parties indebted must settle with Mr. Keeley and those having bills against Mr. Harrison are likewise requested to present them to the agent.

THE WEATHER.—We have had very queer weather during the past week, it being alternately cold, rainy and pleasant warm weather. Three rain storms have occurred, the one Thursday night being the heaviest, and must have been accompanied with snow somewhere in the vicinity of Pioche, as Friday morning opened clear and cold.

STRUCK WATER.—Mr. Page, who resides near the Court-house, has been sinking a well for some time past for the purpose, if possible, of procuring water. He had sunk a shaft to the depth of fifty feet, when water was struck. He now has twenty-five feet of good water in the shaft.

ST. LOUIS ALE.—The proprietor of the Panaca Saloon, No. 1000 Main street, is determined to be up and ahead of the times. He has recently received direct from St. Louis a number of barrels of that celebrated ale for which that city is famous.

POSTAGE STAMPS.—We are informed that pretty soon the green 3-cent postage stamps will give way to one with more white upon it, which cannot be so easily washed and set about a second time.

ON DRAUGHT, Claret, at T. C. Ponjade's.

THANKS.—We are under obligations to the members of the Young Men's Social Club for an invitation to their calico party to come off at Brown's Hall on Friday evening next, May 15th.

NEVADA CENTRAL.—Fourteen car loads of ore on Sunday and nine more on Thursday, were sent to the Condor mill for reduction. The amount of ore carried by the two trains was about 125 tons.

Bristol District.—Work will be commenced on the Mayflower mine in Bristol District the first part of June. Capt. Day, with several other parties, will be the ones to start the work.

FOR SILVER REEF.—T. C. Ponjade left on yesterday's stage for Silver Reef, at which place he has a branch grocery store in charge of P. Heintzelman.

LOUIS SULTAN came in from Silver Reef on last Tuesday and Peter Harrison and family departed for that place on Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY.—To-morrow (Sunday) is Pentecost or Whitsuntide day, being the forty-ninth day or seventh Sunday after Easter Sunday.

DISTRICT COURT.—The District Court will meet on Wednesday morning next at 10 o'clock, it having adjourned in April to that date.

DEPARTED.—Mrs. Julia McFadden, together with all her family except her eldest girl, departed Saturday last for Tybo to join her husband.

W. M. WILSON was in Pioche from Hiko during the past week. J. P. Curtis and Jim Pierson left for that place on Thursday last.

ON DRAUGHT, Claret, at T. C. Ponjade's.

IN TOWN.—M. Armer, who is engaged in business with Ph. Felsenthal in Ward City, has been sojourning in Pioche with his family for the past week.

LEADS BULLION.—Bullion from Leeds District, valued at \$3,342.13, arrived here during the week.

ON DRAUGHT, Claret at T. C. Ponjade's.

CURE FOR CONSUMPTION.

A correspondent of a scientific print furnishes the following receipt for consumption.

"I have discovered a remedy for pulmonary consumption. It has cured a number of cases after they commenced bleeding at the lungs and the hectic flush was already on the cheek. After trying this remedy to my own satisfaction, I have thought philanthropy required that I should let it be known to the world. It is the common mullein, steeped strong and sweetened with coffee-sugar and drank freely. The herb should be gathered before the end of July, if convenient. Old or young plants are good dried in the shade and kept in clean paper bags. The medicine must be continued from three to six months, according to the nature of the disease. It is very good for the blood vessels also. It strengthens the system and builds up instead of taking away strength. It makes good blood and takes inflammation away from the lungs."

It is the wish of the writer that every periodical in the United States, Canada and Europe should publish this receipt for the benefit of the human family. Lay this up and keep it in the house ready for use.

A man in Schenectady, N. Y. cashed a draft for \$700 at a bank and received \$300 in small bills, which he put in his pocket, thinking by its size that the package contained the full amount. He was leaving when the cashier handed him out the balance, \$400, in new, crisp five-dollar notes. The man took them, and, supposing they were advertising notes, distributed them among his friends. He was astonished at the eagerness of all to secure them, and was stunned when attempting jokingly to pass one in a store he was informed that the bills were good. He spent all that night and the greater part of next day in running around collecting the bills he had given away.

At a cheap beer shop in Berlin, where the Socialist leaders often meet, a young man in uniform entered and took a seat. At once the process of conversation began. "Soldier," said one burly demagogue, "would you fire upon the people?" "I! no, indeed." They offered him beer, and another said, "What is your regiment?" "The 4th Infantry," they were informed. They gave him food, and then proceeded to ask, "Soldier, why wouldn't you shoot us when the revolution comes?" "Because I carry no gun; I belong to the regimental band."

The American Naturalist reports two remarkable instances of the vitality in snails. One snail, of the species *Helix pallidior*, lived for two years, two months and sixteen days without food, and at the end of that period appeared to be in pretty good health. Another, *Helix venetice*, lived without food from 1869 till 1875. Both of these species of snails are indigenous to nearly rainless regions.

A burlesque journal has been started in Paris, called the *Other World*, and printed with silver-colored ink on jet black paper, ornamented with pictures of skulls, bones and skeletons. It professes to be issued from the infernal regions, and to be edited by his Satanic Majesty, and the grimness and irreverence of its wit are fairly characteristic of modern Parisian society.

The hobby of a Boston professor is to reconstruct the week, giving it only five days, called *One-day*, *Two-day*, *Three-day*, *Four-day* and *God-day*, or *Sabbath*. The shortening is intended to make more days of rest, and the change of names for the purpose of discarding those of heathen origin.

Since 1848 the mines of California have produced \$1,127,000,000 in gold, without the aid of stock gambling, and the total product of Nevada mines has been \$350,000,000.

Good—the Claret at T. C. Ponjade's.

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A MISSISSIPPI OUELLO.—A queerly-matched couple was seen at Newark, New Jersey, last week, in a handsome young white woman, daughter of a Mississippi planter named Debezon, and worth \$75,000 in her own right, and her black husband. The negro was formerly a slave on her father's plantation, and he saved her life at a steamboat explosion by putting her on his back and swimming ashore, though one arm was shattered. He became the family pet, and the little girl taught him to read, then mathematics and French. He became an accomplished gentleman, and when the girl grew up she fell in love with him. Mr. Debezon, who is a prominent Democrat, of course opposed the match, and the couple ran away, and are now spending their honeymoon at the North. [Exchange.]

AULD LANG SYNE.—Burns was not the composer of "Auld Lang Syne." In a letter to Thompson (of the "Seasons") he expressly states that the song is not his, but that he wrote it down from hearing it sung by an old man, and he (Burns) invokes the blessing of heaven on the head of the unknown minstrel.

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